

# Allied Planes Pound Axis

## Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor

ALEX. H. WASHBURN

### Christmas Cheer

Stepping into the gap left this year by the non-functioning Goodfellows organization the Hope Ministerial Alliance will undertake a city-wide Christmas Cheer Fund campaign—and all of you are asked to contribute.

## 77th Congress Comes to End of Historic 2 Years

—Washington

By ALEX. H. SINGLETON

Washington, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Work-worn and weary, the 77th Congress comes to the end of its legislative life today after an historic two-year struggle, first with the problems of a tremulous peace, then with the robust job of arming the nation for global war.

The House and Senate formally agreed to adjourn at the close of today's business, furnishing a breathing spell until the new Congress takes over on Jan. 6.

Longest in history, the 77th Congress was in session 715 days. The House met on 404 legislative days. Five senators and 14 representatives died during the two years.

It leaves a tempestuous record of pre-war battles over foreign policies, of sharp skirmishes between isolationists and interventionists; and then of a sudden cohesion on war measures as bombs fell on Pearl Harbor.

The shadows of war already were stretching eastward from Asia, westward from Europe when the present Congress first convened in January, 1941. And, as they lengthened, there was fashioned for the nation one of the greatest military programs in all history.

Unstintingly, the lawmakers opened wide the country's purse to provide funds for a war machine. Approximately \$205,000,000,000 was appropriated during the two years, and that total \$192,000,000,000 was earmarked for war.

To help pay the bills, new taxes were piled on both business and private citizens. In 1941, Congress found \$3,553,000,000 in new revenue, and this year proved even deeper to find an additional \$6,881,000,000. Millions of new taxpayers were called upon to contribute to the cost of war as exemptions dropped.

Appropriation followed appropriation in those early days of the session to convert the Broomstick guns and the tin can cannon used by Green troops in early maneuvers into death-dealing weapons of modern warfare.

Major measures passed before the outbreak of war included the lend-lease bill and legislation to permit the arming of merchant ships, which then were authorized to sail into war zones with supplies for the country's future Allies.

Even the step-up of defense legislation seemed slow after Congress declared war in succession on Japan, Germany, Italy, Rumania, Bulgaria and Hungary, and then threw the legislative machinery into high gear.

In the face of the dictators' challenge that democracy is outmoded, Congress provided for a two-ocean Navy, an Army designed to reach a strength of 7,500,000 men, and an air force intended to achieve mastery of the sky.

The drain of the military upon the nation's normal supplies began to be felt on the home front. With it came the potential menace of inflation, so Congress passed one price control bill early in the war, later found it necessary to clamp down an even tighter lid.

Unprecedented powers were granted President Roosevelt to free his hands from normal peace-time restrictions. The ban against use of United States troops on foreign soil was lifted. Salaries and wages were stabilized at home.

Laws were passed to protect the soldier's civilian interests, to give him the right to vote away from home, to boost his base pay from \$21 to \$50. The draft age was lowered to 18.

Women were accorded a place in the ranks. First Congress created the WAACS—the Women's Auxiliary Corps—then their counterparts in the Navy and the Coast Guard, the WAVES and SPARS—for behind-the-lines service to relieve men for duty at the front.

The administration had its setbacks, as well as its victories, in the past two years. Chief among the former were its attempts to wipe out state taxation of federal war purchases, its move to supplement state unemployment compensation with federal grants—one

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## Wedge Driven Into Newly Won Red Positions

—Europe

By HENRY CASSIDY

Moscow, Dec. 16.—(AP)—German units slashing hard at the left wing of the Red Army southwest of Stalingrad, were reported today to have driven an armored wedge into the Russian lines after mounting full scale attacks bolstered by tanks and planes.

Red Star, the Soviet army newspaper, said the Germans struck heavily and repeatedly at positions occupied only recently by the Russians who had not had time to consolidate them.

Dispatches from the front indicated that the enemy had advanced toward a water line along an important road, their heavy artillery pounding a path before them and their infantry pushing into salients in the wake of the tanks.

The Red Army's offensive on the central front northwest of Moscow, however, rolled steadily on through snow covered forests studded with Nazi defenses.

The Russian positions on this front were described as roughly 190 miles west of Kalinin in the Velikie Luki region. Pravda, the communist party organ, said that despite violent counterattacks several basic German defense points in the minefields west of Rzhev had been captured.

The Axis attacks were described as evidently the strongest they have been able to muster since the beginning of the Russians' winter offensive Nov. 19 but the dispatches declared there was still no sign that there had succeeded in shattering the encircling ring in which they were caught before Stalingrad.

Some German advanced units in the fresh counteroffensive were even forced to retreat, the Russians reported, but others were managing to hold ground until reserves could be brought up.

The Russian pace on other parts of the long winter front was slowing moving but crushing, and in the territory west of Rzhev soldiers of the Red Army slogged into two more villages after violent battle.

The Caucasus front remained relatively stable, but Red Star said a Russian attack in one sector southeast of Nalchik had driven a mile-deep wedge into a German fortified zone.

The Rzhev and Stalingrad areas provided the sharpest fighting in recent engagements.

In one sector of the Rzhev battle the Germans were thrown out of a populated point and among the armament captured was a tank "in good working order," the Russians said.

Reference to Volikie Luki fighting 90 miles from the Latvian border, has been missing from recent communiques but today's noon war bulletin noted that the Red Army was attempting to wipe out German garrisons it had surrounded.

The Russians recounted that they had dealt heavy blows at the enemy not only west of Rzhev but along the railway running south-westward out of the city to Vyazma.

Spells Her Names From East Or West

McAlester, Okla. (AP)—The mother of W. C. Tippit, she relates, had three names that were spelled the same either backward or forward. They were Hannah Anna Tippit.

Flashes of Life

By The Associated Press  
Kalamazoo, Mich. When the Kalamazoo Stove Company's boiler blew out official borrowed a Michigan central locomotive.

parked it on a siding and pumped steam from its boilers into the heating system of the plant until the building was warm enough for employees to resume their war work.

Strong Bait  
Petersburg, Ind. — In granting eight duplicate gasoline rationing stamps to Barney Elkins, filling station proprietor, local rationing officials considered as evidence of necessity a dead mouse, a mousetrap and a partly destroyed gasoline pump.

Cheese failed to lure the mouse, which had eaten seven stamps, Elkins explained, so he used the eighth stamp as bait.

Judicial Advice  
Spokane, Wash. — It may be unethical for a wife to go through her husband's pockets while he sleeps, but if he buries his cash in the ground — that's different.

## New Jap Landing Force Bombed by Allied Planes

—War in Pacific

Allied Headquarters in Australia Dec. 16.—(AP)—General MacArthur's air forces have ceaselessly bombed the Japanese lodged in a new foot hold near the mouth of the Mambare river while his land troops exerted heavy pressure on the invaders' dwindling Buna area shore positions to the southeast, advices from the front said today.

Allied airmen also pounded anew the Japanese bases flanking the Papuan sector, the headquarters noon communique reported.

They dropped a number of 500-pound bombs on the airdrome at Lae, on the northeast New Guinea coast, in the face of heavy anti-aircraft fire, and roared across the water strip to pock the Gasmata, New Britain, airfield with a dozen 500-pounders. A covey of 12 Japanese planes came up to meet them and they shot down three and damaged two others, the communique said.

(A lone four-engine B-24 "Liberator" bomber stood off all 12 Zeros, Australian dispatches said. The crew saw two of them crash into the sea, another disappear in flames beneath the clouds and parts fly off from two more.)

There were few details of the General MacArthur said that there ground action but a spokesman for was undoubtedly still heavy fighting at Sananda point, northeast of Buna village, and at Buna Mission airstrip, between with Allied troops had driven a wedge.

## Only 1-A Men Can Volunteer for the Navy

Washington, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Selective service headquarters said today that only men in class 1-A, or those rated as available for immediate induction into the armed forces, would be allowed to volunteer through their draft boards for the Navy, Marines or Coast Guard.

Spokesmen, desiring to remain anonymous, explained "it would not be fair to the Army to let men defer for the Army induction volunteer for the other services" and said the rule applied to deferments either for dependency or occupation.

Men now deferred who are later reclassified to 1-A may, however, volunteer for the sea services if reclassified while the plan is in effect, the spokesmen added. The plan, it was said yesterday, probably would be used until "about Feb. 1."

It was emphasized that no one could volunteer after being ordered to report for induction.

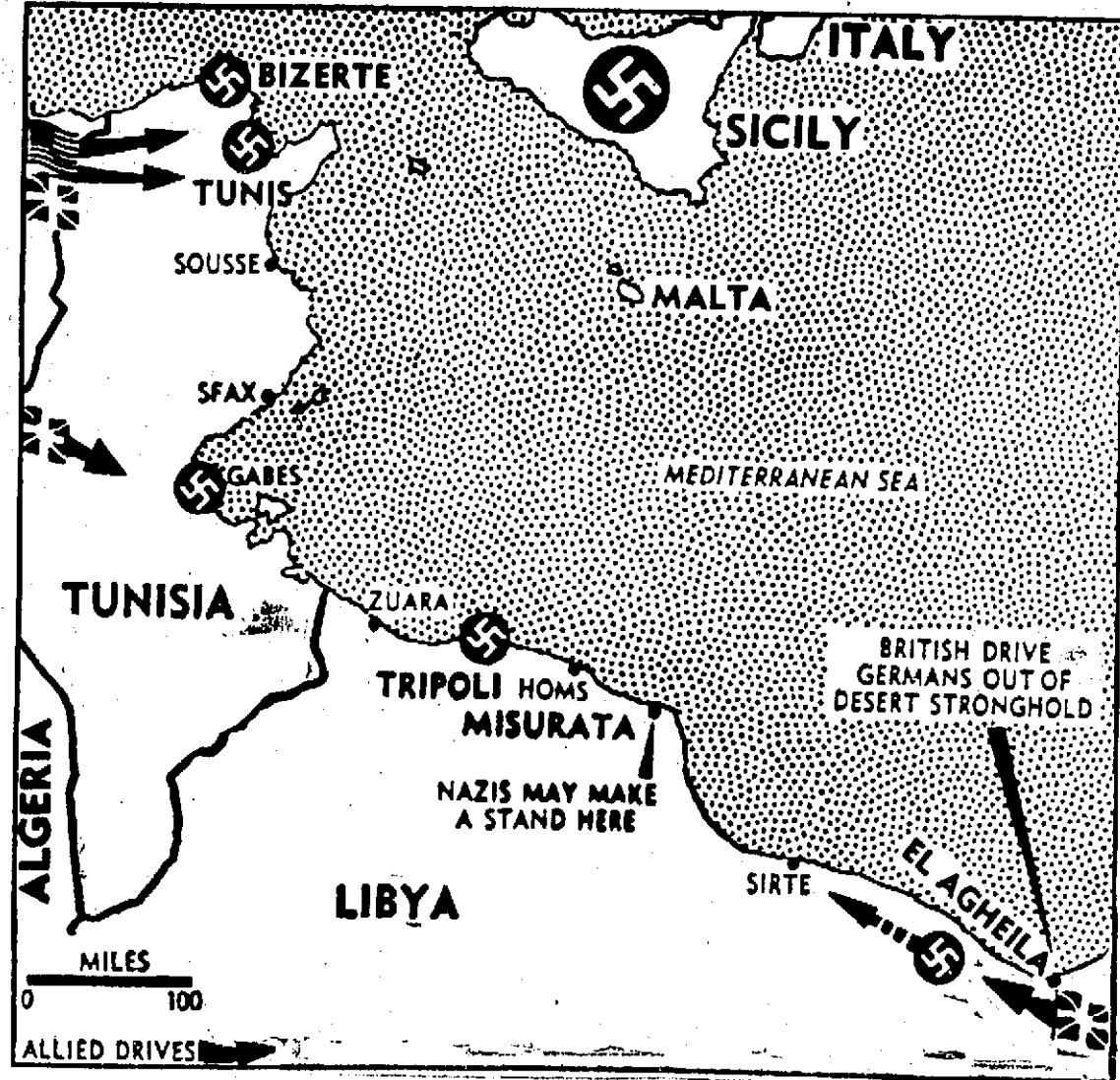
## Belgian Jailed for Naming Son Winston

London, Dec. 15.—(AP)—Belgian government sources here reported today that a father in Brussels had been sentenced to nine months for what the Germans apparently regard as a new crime.

He christened his newborn son "Winston."

Womings has 130 log cabin school buildings.

## Today's War Map



Today's war map pictures the North African situation as British pursue Rommel across the desert. Allied planes ruled the skies above the advancing Eighth Army. (NEA Telegram)

## Says Weapons Must Be Under Army Control

Washington, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Robert P. Patterson, undersecretary of war, said today removal of the production of military weapons and supplies from control of the armed forces might result in losing the war, and described as "fantastic" reports that the Army was seeking control of the nation's civilian economy.

In a statement to the Truman committee investigating the nation's defense program, Patterson said the supply of munitions was a continuous process "from drafting board to scrap pile."

And that the armed forces being the only ones who knew what was needed and when, were the only ones who knew what was needed and when, were the only ones competent to direct this production.

On the Axis side of the Tunisian and Navy supply services have never been closely concerned with development and production of raw materials, and control of the supply of such materials "is properly placed in a civilian agency, the War Production Board."

At almost the same time, CIO President Philip Murray called again for creation of an over-all civilian body to control war production and "cut through the quagmire of vested interests." He favored legislation to create an office of war mobilization.

Murray charged in a statement read for him to the Senate small business committee that the United States Steel corporation and Republic steel were guilty of wasting nickel and that the former's projected armor plate plant at Gary, Ind., would eliminate from the war effort many small steel companies which had saved the armor plate program.

## Bruce Twins of Hope Join Women's Army

Fort Des Moines, Iowa, Dec. 16.—When the twin daughters of the Bruce family of Hope, Arkansas, were inducted into the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, they made the third set of twins from the family to enlist into the service of their country. These latest twins in the family to wear the uniform of Uncle Sam are Fay and May Bruce.

The other two sets, Howard and Harold, Floyd and Lloyd, were in the army before the war, and were honorably discharged when their terms of enlistment were up. Howard is in the army again and is stationed at Aberdeen, Md., and the others expect to be in again soon. The girls said that's why they enlisted, adding, "We're just as good as they are—we hope."

Auxiliaries Fay and May Bruce are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. (Continued on Page Two)

## State To Pay Victory Tax in One Lump Sum

Little Rock, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Arkansas will pay the victory tax on all state employees in a lump sum quarterly under an agreement worked out by the state comptroller's office and the U. S. internal revenue bureau.

The tax will be computed on individual income at the rate of five per cent after allowing deductions of \$12 per week.

Employees living at state institutions will not be charged with room and board in the determination of individual earnings. Part-time employees will be required to pay the tax on a daily computation basis, with earnings in excess of \$1.71 per day taxable.

## Japs Refuse to Fight on Dec. 7 Anniversary

By NORMAN BELL

Aboard a United States warship in the South Pacific, Dec. 8 (Delayed). (AP). A powerful American surface force including battleships today virtually challenged the Japanese navy in the South Pacific to a Pearl Harbor anniversary battle.

The American task force of which this ship is a unit cruised with everything in readiness for battle. Ammunition handlers under the gun turrets marked on shells for the main batteries such expressions as "Tojo take cover," and "Tokyo bound."

But the shells remained on their platforms for future use.

The presence of battleships in this challenging U. S. force is notable in view of the navy department's year-after report of Pearl Harbor damage received here by radio.

Men of this and other ships of the force are confident they can make the Japanese pay full measure when the time comes. The attitude was expressed by the ship's chaplain at Pearl Harbor memorial services.

"Without raving, ranting or boasting," the chaplain said, "the navy and the nation after a year of heavy losses are determined (Quoting Lincoln's Gettysburg address) 'these honored dead shall not have died in vain.'"

## Welfare Office to Ask for Less Money

Little Rock, Dec. 16.—(AP)—The Welfare Commission will ask the 1943 Legislature for \$98,400 less than it operated on during the current biennium.

The commission approved a budget calling for \$580,360 in 1943-44 and \$602,300 in 1944-45 compared to the \$640,240 it received last year and the \$641,320 it had this year. No additional tax revenues will be sought by the commission the next biennium, the commission decided at yesterday's meeting.

## To Canvass City for Xmas Cheer Funds

The Hope Ministerial Alliance announced today that in the absence of any city-wide Goodfellows Campaign this year it would sponsor a Christmas Cheer Fund entirely separate from the efforts of the various church congregations.

Dr. E. S. Richards was named chairman of the city-wide campaign, and is preparing a list of canvassers who will solicit funds downtown.

Contributions also will be received at The Star office in the committee's behalf.

Following is the statement of the Ministerial Alliance:

"At a meeting of the ministers and representative laymen Wednesday morning, a committee was appointed to solicit the funds necessary to provide Christmas cheer to those families that would otherwise not have any. Dr. E. S. Richards was appointed chairman of this committee to be known as the 'Goodfellow Committee.'"

"Everyone is asked to make a small contribution to this fund and if not solicited this week to leave or send their contribution to the editor of this paper."

## 3 Miners Killed When Hoist Breaks Loose

Charleston, W. Va., Dec. 16.—(AP)—A mine hoist crowded with 47 men broke from its hillside moorings in the Cabin Creek mining section today and rolled to the foot of the slope, killing three men and injuring at least five others.

The men were leaving the early morning shift at the Wyatt Coal Company's mine at Laing and had stepped into the car to make the steep descent to the road below.

Five injured miners were brought to the Kanawha Valley hospital in Charleston and another was taken to Laid Memorial hospital in Montgomery.

First reports were that the cable controlling the car broke.

The dead were Arthur Fummin, Charles Childers, Negro, and James Boswell, Negro, all residents of Laing. Fummin and Childers died before reaching the hospital. James Boswell died a few hours later.

A witness said the men were "thrown all over the side of the mountain."

## 24 Muskrats Placed in Grassy Lake

The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission has shipped 24 muskrats to Hempstead county, it was announced today. Game wardens Lester Wade and Earl Barham released the muskrats in Grassy Lake, near McNab, late yesterday.

## British Advance 100 Miles After Fleeing Rommel

—Africa

By The Associated Press  
London, Dec. 16.—Britain's Eighth Army, paced by Allied air fleets littering the road to Tripoli with the blasted wrecks of Marshal Rommel's transport, was reported today as probably approaching Zauta En Nefila, 100 air line miles west of El Aghella.

This report, by a competent British military source, indicated that since the "break-through" at El Aghella a rate of advance exceeding that of the Eighth Army after it cracked Rommel's El Alamein line in Egypt.

On the opposite side of the Allied squeeze on the Axis' dwindling last foothold in North Africa, other strong forces of British and United States planes were striking heavily at the enemy in Tunisia while winter rains and sticky, brown mud mired the land front in relative quiet.

Mileages were not given in the British communique with Rommel apparently unable or unwilling to shield his retreat with more than delaying rearguard patrols, the speed of the British pursuit was governed chiefly by the Eighth Army's ability in picking its way through the maze of mines Rommel left behind and by its flow of supplies.

The British communique emphasized that "our leading forces still are greatly impeded by mines." Its disclosure, however, that ground forces now are "well west" of El Aghella and that the air arm has struck as far as Zauta En Nefila suggested that a wide lane soon would be cut through the enemy's deep field of mines, TNT and booby traps.

Both sides resorted to air blows far behind the front to choke off the opponent's supplies.

Allied planes set new big fires in the harbor area of Naples Monday night, the British communique said, and pounded the Tunisian harbor of Tunis and La Goulette again in force the same night. The Italians yesterday disclosed that Naples again had been raided.

Skirting to the far eastern end of the Mediterranean, long a quiet sector, the Italian high command said its long-range bombers had raided oil depots at the Syrian port of Tripoli and oil refineries at Birute, the chief port of the Syrian-Lebanon region.

The British said that at least four more south-bound Axis transport planes in a heavily escorted air convoy were shot down by Allied fighters near Lampedusa Island, between Sicily and Tunis, where the enemy has lost steadily trying to fly reinforcements across the Mediterranean.

Although the Italians said five Spitfires and two Beaufighters were shot down "in repeated violent encounters" near Lampedusa, the British communique announced only four planes lost from all Allied operations, including widespread attacks in Tunisia.

Besides scoring hits on ship and jettes and a fuel depot at Tunis and La Goulette, it said, two small vessels off the Tunis coast also were attacked. A railway between Sousse and Stax was bombed and an air-launched torpedo hit a beached vessel near Sousse.

On the Axis side of the Tunisian air war, the Rome communique reported a heavy German raid on Bone, Allied supply port in eastern Algeria.

## Treasury Borrows \$5 Gold Pieces

Washington, Dec. 16.—(AP)—The treasury owns \$22,743,838,112.03 worth of gold but nary a \$5 gold piece.

So the United States had to borrow from Canada the gold coins which were supplied to the American troops in Africa for dealing with the natives, Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau disclosed today.

All our gold coins were melted down when the president called in gold currency, and only those held by collectors or illegal hoarders are now outstanding.

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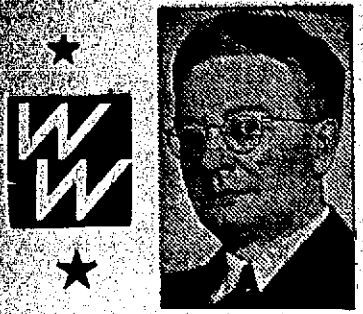
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# Although in Full Retreat Rommel Is Far From Beaten



## Market Report

### NEW YORK STOCKS

New York, Dec. 16 — (AP) — Buyers operated with a lot of discrimination in today's stock market but the favored issues covered a wide range of gains ranging from a fraction of a point to more than a point, with some as much as three.

Broadened demand for rubbers, rails, chemicals and specialties brightened the price picture after a hesitant performance in the forenoon.

Steels and motors failed to warm up to the improved swing and some of the blue chips were equally lacking in rising vigor, but in the final hour the list was well studied with plus marks.

Helped again by a sizable turnover in various low-priced stocks, volume approximated 800,000 shares, one of the best marks for December.

### ST. LOUIS LIVESTOCK

St. Louis Stockyards, Ill., Dec. 16 — (U. S. Dept. Agr.) — Hogs, 11,500; active steady to 5 higher; than average Tuesday; good and choice 100-270 lbs. 14.15-25; to pig 25-270-310 lbs. 14.00-15; around 350 lbs. 13.85; 140-160 lbs. 13.35 - 65; a few 13.90; 100-130 lbs. 12.35-13.25; sows 13.35-65; stags 13.75 down.

Cattle, 2,500; calves, 1,000; generally steady to strong; 13 loads of steers on sale; medium to good steers 12.75 - 14.75; medium and good heifers 11.00-13.00; common and medium cows 9.00-11.00; medium and good sausage bulls 10.50-12.25; vealers 25 higher; good and choice 15.25; medium and good 12.75 and 14.00; nominal range slaughter steers 10.50 - 16.00; slaughter heifers 9.50 - 15.50; stocker and feeder steers 9.00 - 13.75.

Sheep, 2,000; market not established.

### GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Chicago, Dec. 16 — (AP) — Profit taking bridled the wheat market today, checking the price advance of as much as 10 cents a bushel so far this month after quotations had reached seasonal highs within fractions of top figures for the past five years.

Early gains of about 1-2 cent were wiped out in subsequent trading.

## Bruce Twins

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Maxine C. Bruce, of Hope, and were inducted at Baton Rouge, La., on October 12.

Besides the two sets of twins, the girls have three other brothers and five half brothers. When their basic training in the WAAC, is completed they will be ready to receive their assignments to whatever duty they are best fitted to fulfill in releasing a soldier for active combat duty.

Fay spent much of her time at home helping to look after the half brothers. So many brothers in the family no doubt influenced the other twin, May, to become a professional basketball player. As a member of the all-girl "Hillbilly Team" she toured the country, playing against many male court aggregations.

May hopes that the WAAC might find a place for her as physical education instructor, while Fay would like to be assigned to Aircraft Warning Service. They're both willing to go anywhere, but they hope to go there together—if the army can possibly arrange it that way.

## 77th Congress

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which opponents decried as an attempt at federal control and President Roosevelt's request for discretionary authority to suspend tariff and immigration laws when necessary to speed the war effort.

Labor successfully withstood numerous attempts during the two years to outlaw its right to strike, to suspend tie-and-one-half payments for work in excess of 40 hours a week, to prevent it from organizing activity in war industries, to subject it to the provisions of the anti-racketeering statutes.

The new Congress will find the Democratic majority sharply reduced in the house, and facing the possibility of a coalition of some of its southern members with the republican minority.

With that possibility, here are some of the issues which the next congress may be called upon to resolve.

1. Retrenchment in non-military expenditures.

2. Restrictions on the powers of government agencies.

3. Revision of labor legislation.

progress in Tunisia depends heavily on acquisition of air superiority there by the Allies, so it can be said that the entire Mediterranean conflict pivots largely on air power. Happily for the Allies, they have definite superiority in the Libyan end of the North African battle.

Bombardment of Axis communications, including harbors such as Naples, is one of the greatest services that the Allied Air Forces can perform at this juncture and they are doing magnificent work. The African conflict is, in its essence, one of transport and the Allies are increasingly exploiting the fact that the best place to catch transport and supplies is at the source.

### ing. Mill demand was much less

active after yesterday's large flour business despite the fact that wheat prices are well over levels that prevailed during the base period for flour ceilings.

Wheat closed 1-1/2 lower than yesterday, December \$1.33 3/4. May \$1.34 5/8-3/4 corn unchanged to 1-4 up soybeans unchanged; rye 5-8-1 cent lower.

No wheat.

Corn new: No. 3 yellow 87 - 90; No. 3 white 1.09.

Old corn: No. 2 yellow 92.

### Wheat

Dec. - high, 1.34 3/8; low, 1.33 3/8; close, 1.33 3/4.

May - high, 1.35 5/8; low, 1.34 5/8; close, 1.34 5/8-3/4.

### Corn

Dec. - high, 87 7/8; low, 87 1/2; close, 87 3/4.

May - high, 91 5/8; low, 91 1/8; close, 91 1/4-3/8.

### POULTRY AND PRODUCE

Chicago, Dec. 16 — (AP) — Poultry live 23 trucks, firm; turkeys toms, young all weights 32; hens 32; old toms 28; No. 2 28; other prices unchanged.

Butter, receipts 564,935; firm; prices as quoted by the Chicago price current are unchanged.

Eggs receipts 8,162 firm; prices unchanged.

### NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Dec. 16 — (AP) — Cotton futures moved through a dull session with prices easily influenced by small orders either way, reflecting uncertainty in the trade over the parity situation and the general status of price control.

Late afternoon values were 10 cents a bale higher to 20 cents lower, Dec 18.84, May 18.68 and July 18.54.

Futures closed 5 cents a bale lower to 20 cents higher.

Dec.-opened 19.13; closed, 19.06 x Jan - closed, 18.87n

Feb.-opened, 18.86; closed, 18.85

May.-opened, 18.73; closed, 18.70

July.-opened, 18.56; closed, 18.56

Oct.-opened, 18.51; closed, 18.48

Middling spot 20.50N; up 1 x—December cotton trading expired at noon today.

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## Seven Die, Two Escape When Plane Crashes

St. Louis, Dec. 16 — (AP) — An army bomber carrier seven men to their deaths as it crashed and burned last night a few minutes after taking off from Lambert - St. Louis airport. Two others escaped.

The Topeka, Kas., air base today made public the names of the dead as follows:

2nd Lt. Stanley L. Rosen, Camden, N. J.

2nd Lt. William P. McDonald, Stockton, Calif.

2nd Lt. Warren E. A. Young, Tucson, Ariz.

2nd Lt. Clarence E. Pyle, Jr., Montgomery, W. Va.

2nd Lt. Alva L. Sink, Tunkhannock, Pa.

Staff Sgt. Henry H. Stringer, Parwell, Ky.

Staff Sgt. Sidney M. Schwartz, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Lt. Sink was riding as a passenger.

Sgt. Robert T. Randol, Galveston, Tex., who has cuts on his face and head, a fractured vertebrae and a fractured left leg.

Sgt. Harwell Clements, Detroit, small cut over left eye, treated at hospital and released.

The plane grazed the roof of a barn before it nosed to the ground, burst into flames and set fire to the farm house of Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Crouse.

Mrs. Crouse bundled her two-month-old daughter, Barbara, in a quilt and escaped from the burning house.

"I was in the kitchen giving the baby her bottle," she related, "when I heard a terrific noise. Something flew into the basement underneath the baby's room and exploded. The whole house seemed to burst into flames."

"I grabbed a quilt from the bed and wrapped the baby in it, and then tried to get out the back door, but the way was blocked by flames. I ran to the front door and found flames there, too, but I managed to get out with the baby."

Mamey, sapodilla, coriman, papaya, sourpaw, star apple or guava may appear on your table about the time coffee returns, the doctor predicts.

These foods grow mostly on trees in Central and South America, and they're very tasty despite the odd names, he said.

"We're going to have to rearrange our food habits and forget some of our food prejudices," he explains. And the South American foods may come north along with more coffee and bananas — because the Pan-American highway will be completed to Panama by next June.

David D. Duncan, representing Nelson Rockefeller, coordinator of inter-American affairs, dropped in the other day to announce that fact, and he added that the new road doubtless will help solve the coffee and food transportation problem.

Dr. Clendening listened with more than usual interest because, he grumbled, "drinking tea is like kissing your sister."

Clendening, bulky, mustached, 58-year-old medical school faculty member and physician who found much of his effort shunted into literature after "I unfortunately wrote a book one time," achieved the national front pages in 1939.

An air hammer had been pounding paving outside his study window for months, as part of a WPA sewer project. Finally, he smashed the mechanism while workers fled. There was quite a hubbub about it, and policemen came. Dr. Clendening's second idea about being paid a \$50 fine for disturbing America's diet:

"For breakfast, you sit down and there'll be a little package — a lamb chop. Another tiny package — an orange. Another cereal. Then a bowl of water in which you dip each dehydrated food — and wait a minute."

"Then you can mix white, odorless, tasteless vitamin powders in jellies or jams, and have a complete diet. It's already being done to some extent with dehydrated foods shipped to England."

Such a synthetic diet will supply everything we need, he said, except — "I don't know what in the world we'll do for bulk. Why, heavens! By 1960 it will take all the cascarina in the state of California —"

## Auto Owners Urged to Buy Tags Early

Approximately a third of the automobile owners of Hempstead county have purchased license tags for 1943, the Revenue department announced today.

The deadline for purchasing auto stickers is midnight, December 31. There has been no extension, the department announced, in urging that car owners buy tags now and avoid the last minute rush.

Licenses are now on sale at the revenue office in the courthouse.

## Two Hope Men in U. S. Coast Artillery

Edward B. Richardson and James M. Field of Hope have arrived at Camp McQuade, California where they will receive basic training in the U. S. Coast Artillery, it was learned today.

## Just Proves We All Make Mistakes

Washington, Dec. 16 — (AP) — You can't very well tell the president of the United States to stay after school and write the word "Generalissimo" on the White House blackboard 100 times, but

He is the way Mr. Roosevelt addressed a letter to China's Chiang Kai - Shek yesterday.

"My dear Generalissimo," With two big bold looping "L's."

A photograph of the letter, greeting the Chinese leader on the opening of radiophoto service to Chungking, was transmitted over the circuit after the Office of War Information had discovered the error and fixed it up with ink eradicator.



THE BATTLEFIELD IS SMALL but the stakes are big in the allied-axis clash for control of this tip of Tunisia. British-American forces are finding the last 25 miles are the hardest as they thrust toward Tunis and Bizerte. Axis air superiority and near parity in number of troops here have held off a quick allied victory in this last piece of French North Africa.

## Predicts Many Doughnut Type New Foods to Crops Up Soon

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"We're going to have to rearrange our food habits and forget some of our food prejudices," he explains. And the South American foods may come north along with more coffee and bananas — because the Pan-American highway will be completed to Panama by next June.

David D. Duncan, representing Nelson Rockefeller, coordinator of inter-American affairs, dropped in the other day to announce that fact, and he added that the new road doubtless will help solve the coffee and food transportation problem.

Dr. Clendening listened with more than usual interest because, he grumbled, "drinking tea is like kissing your sister."

Clendening, bulky, mustached, 58-year-old medical school faculty member and physician who found much of his effort shunted into literature after "I unfortunately wrote a book one time," achieved the national front pages in 1939.

An air hammer had been pounding paving outside his study window for months, as part of a WPA sewer project. Finally, he smashed the mechanism while workers fled. There was quite a hubbub about it, and policemen came. Dr. Clendening's second idea about being paid a \$50 fine for disturbing America's diet:

"For breakfast, you sit down and there'll be a little package — a lamb chop. Another tiny package — an orange. Another cereal. Then a bowl of water in which you dip each dehydrated food — and wait a minute."

"Then you can mix white, odorless, tasteless vitamin powders in jellies or jams, and have a complete diet. It's already being done to some extent with dehydrated foods shipped to England."

Such a synthetic diet will supply everything we need, he said, except — "I don't know what in the world we'll do for bulk. Why, heavens! By 1960 it will take all the cascarina in the state of California —"

## Marriage Legal After 25 Year Separation

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 16 — (AP) — The Mississippi supreme court has ruled a marriage still legal 25 years after separation.

In a four-to-two decision in a Pike county insurance case, the court held that a woman was still legally wed to a husband who turned 25 years after he had disappeared and reportedly drowned.

Both he and his wife had married others since.

In a dissenting opinion, Justice Virgil A. Griffith commented on the effect on the "innocent children" of the woman's second marriage and said the majority opinion would result in "tragic heartbreaks."

Specifically, the court held that Ole Lee, who had married Dan Evans in July, 1912 was not entitled to insurance taken out by Isom Frank, who she married in March, 1935, after making efforts to ascertain whether Evans was still living. Evans in the meantime also remarried.

Chief Justice Sydney Smith, author of the controlling opinion, said:

"Since Dan (as it was proven) is now living, and consequently was in March, 1935, and the marriage between him and Ole Lee not having been dissolved by a divorce, her marriage with Isom Frank is void."

He cited the state's "Enoch Arden" law which provides, "... Any property or estate recovered in any such case shall be restored if it is proven that the person so presumed to be dead is living."

In a dissenting opinion, Associate Justice W. D. Anderson contended that the statutory presumption of death should be "equivalent to a divorce," and described the majority opinion as "unsound and most harmful in its results."

Germany has ordered the Italians to evacuate Sicily. They don't want anybody in their way.

## Yuletide Star Not to Shine This Christmas

By EDWARD F. CREAGH

Bethlehem, Pa., Dec. 16 — (AP) — The Star of Bethlehem will not shine this Christmas Eve.

Nor will the kaleidoscope of lights with which this Pennsylvania city, named for the birthplace of Jesus, annually has commemorated his coming.

The pale light that shines will be that of beeswax candles, traditional among the Moravian residents whose ancestors founded this Bethlehem, and of steel millflares, shielded from sky-borne disturbers of the Christmas peace.

The streets will be dark, but as Mayor Robert Pfeiffer says, "it wouldn't be right for them to be all lit up when our boys are out in the darkness fighting for us."

The 90-foot man-made Christmas star has hove 20 miles from South mountain and the eight to ten mile of colored lights that drew crowds of shoppers to Bethlehem in the days before gasoline rationing — they will be missing.

"They'd make too good an air raid target," says the mayor of a city in which the steel mills guard every ray of light. "Besides, they'd cost the city \$4,000 to \$5,000. We have turned over \$3,900 of that money to buy equipment for the Civilian Defense Corps."

Even the candlelight service, the "love feast" in which Moravians join their children, will feel the impact of war.

"We're making only 10,000 candles this year," says Paul E. Wied, manager of Simon Rau and Co., oldest apothecary shop of its kind in the country. "Last year we made 14,000. The government is buying up all the wax."

It's a fragrant beeswax xocfrm. It's a fragrant beeswax from bees having access to white clover. The Rau firm uses it in 100-year-old moulds. It doesn't crystallize from cold or run when it's hot.

But there will be a candlelight service, announced by a trombone choir in the belfry of Central Moravian church.

Around the family fireside there were on a Christmas eve in 1741 when a band of pioneers lit their tapers in the first log cabin and called their new home Bethlehem.

As there was in an earlier Bethlehem when the angels sang, "Glory to God in the Highest, and on Earth Peace to Men of Good Will."

## City Council Holds Routine Session

In a routine session last night the Hope City Council voted to release checks to city employees December 22 instead of the regular payday, January 1.

The group also accepted the resignation of E. F. McFaddin, recently elected to the supreme court, as city attorney. No successor was named.

In response to growing complaints the council ordered the police chief and police committee to make a study of traffic lights and stop signs downtown with the possibility of removing them due to gas rationing.

All bills in proper form were ordered paid.

## Would Separate First Offenders in Prison

Little Rock, Dec. 16 — (AP) — Gov. Homer M. Adkins said today he would recommend that the state penal board establish a separate camp or first offenders at one of the two prison farms.

The camp may be established without legislative action but an additional warden might be required, Adkins said. He asserted that prison Supt. To Cogbill advised him that because of reduced prison population it was now possible to set up a first-offender camp.

Cogbill recommended that Adkins grant Christmas furloughs to about 150 prisoners with good records. He said he would be guided largely by Cogbill's recommendations and that annual list would be announced next week.

## Yanks Attack Jap Base Meet No Opposition

Washington, Dec. 16 (AP)—United States bombers, raiding the Japanese installation at Buin on Bougainville island in the Solomons, met no enemy opposition, the Navy reported today.

No explanation was available of the lack of opposition at Buin, considered as one of the principal Jap air bases and located about 275 miles northwest of Guadalcanal.

The Navy also reported a sixth attack on Munda airfield, under construction by the Japanese on New Georgia, and the wiping out of two Japanese machine gun crews on Guadalcanal in communication No. 22 which said: "South Pacific: (All dates are east longitude)."

"1. On December 13, U. S. Patrols on Guadalcanal island destroyed two Japanese machine gun positions and killed both gun crews."

"2. On December 14th, U. S. bombers attacked the enemy airfield at Buin, on the island of Bougainville. No enemy aircraft were encountered, and no anti-aircraft opposition was met. Results were not reported."

"3. On December 15th, at noon a striking force of Marine Corps dive bombers from Guadalcanal attacked Japanese installations at Munda, on New Georgia island. No enemy resistance was encountered. Results were not observed."

## Workers to Germany

London, Dec. 16 (AP) Reuters reported that a Vichy broadcast said today that 205,000 French workers now had been sent to Germany.

So tiny are some of the parts of precision instruments used on bombers that microscopes are used to inspect them.

## Beware Coughs That Hang On

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## Social Calendar

**Wednesday, December 16th**  
Mrs. Hollis Luck and Mrs. O. A. Graves will be hostesses to the J. B. Graves Sunday school class of the First Methodist church at the home of the former, 7:30 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to all members.

The Workers council of the Presbyterian Sunday School will meet at 7:45 p. m. in the Educational building. All Sunday School workers are expected to attend.

**Thursday, December 17th**  
Lilac Garden club meeting, home of Mrs. J. A. Henry with Mrs. S. G. Norton, co-hostess, 3 o'clock. Members are asked to bring gifts for exchange at this Christmas meeting.

The public is invited to attend a Christmas service "The Nativity" arranged by Rosamond Kimball at the High School auditorium Thursday at 1:10 p. m. The library club, with the assistance of other pupils, is presenting the program.

Hope chapter, 328, Order of the Eastern Star, the Masonic hall, 7:00 o'clock.

**Friday, December 18th**  
At the Hotel Barlow, members of the Service class of the First Christian church will entertain with a Christmas dinner, 8 o'clock. Each member is asked to bring an inexpensive gift.

**Friday, December 18th.**  
The Past presidents of the Friday Music club will entertain members of the music club Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. J. C. Carlton.

**Tuesday, December 22nd**  
A meeting of the Cosmopolitan club will be held at the home of Mrs. Kelly Bryant with Mrs. George Newbern co-hostess, 8 o'clock.

**Two Guests at Tuesday Club Party**  
Mrs. Kent Brown was hostess to members of the Tuesday Contract bridge club at her home Tuesday afternoon. In addition to the club members Mrs. Charles Dana Gibson and Mrs. Frank Johnson were guests.

Autumnal leaves and berries were used to decorate the card rooms where bridge was played. High score went to Mrs. Syd McMath for the club and to Mrs. Gibson for the guest high score.

A delicious desert course was served by Mrs. Brown at the conclusion of the games.

## Christmas Party is Event of Legion Auxiliary Calendar

The annual Christmas party for members of the American Legion Auxiliary was given Tuesday afternoon at the legion hall. Mrs. J. A. Gentry, president, presided at the short business session. The program consisted of a beautiful Christmas story told by Mrs. J. A. Gentry.

The Christmas theme was observed in all of the decorations of the hall. Guests exchanged gifts from a lighted Christmas tree in the center of the room.

Delicious refreshments were served. Those attending were Mrs. R. D. Franklin, Mrs. R. V. Herndon, Sr., Mrs. E. S. Franklin, Mrs. J. A. Henry, Mrs. Malcolm Porterfield, Mrs. J. R. Gentry, Mrs. J. L. Tedder, Mrs. Harry Segner, Mrs. Ray Thrash, Mrs. Owens Cowart, Mrs. C. P. Tolleson, Mrs. M. M. McClaughan, Mrs. Fred Luck, Mrs. Claude Agee, and Mrs. W. E. Mason.

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**Three Baptist Classes are Entertained at Evening Party**  
In the church educational building, members of the Berean, Althean, and Gleamers classes of the First Baptist church, entertained with a delightful Christmas party Tuesday evening.

Mrs. W. R. Hamilton read an inspiring Christmas story. Games and contests followed. Gifts were arranged about a specimen tree and were presented to each guest. Class teachers, Mrs. Gus Haynes, Mrs. S. D. Cook, and Mrs. T. L. Nichols served delicious refreshments to 40 members.

**Garrett Storys Have Family Dinner Sunday**  
A crystal opaline containing red candles and nandina berries centered the large dining table at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Garrett Story, Sr. on Sunday evening when they were dinner hosts to a large family group.

Covers were laid for Miss Harriet Story of Sioux Falls, S. D., Mr. and Mrs. Garrett Story, Jr. and children, Carolyn, Bobby, and Harriet, and the Story family. Miss Lou and Anna Story, Mrs. Cora Slaggs, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Stewart, and Mr. and Mrs. Story.

**Public Invited to Christmas Program at High School**  
"The Nativity", a Christmas service arranged by Rosamond Kimball, will be presented in the High School auditorium Thursday, December 17, at 1:10 p. m. by the members of the Library club. The public is invited to attend.

The scenes will closely follow the descriptions as given in the New and Old Testaments.

Students taking part will be: Dorothy Moore, Charles Henry Frances Harrell, Raymond Taylor, Monroe Rogers, Donald Westbrook, John Urban, Howard Sanford, Jack Bruner, Raymond Taylor, Jeff Copeland, Jack Crank, Mary Jackson, Ophelia Hamilton, Rose Marie Hendrix, Freda Fuller, Mary Lee Cook, Mary O'Neal, Billy James, Peggy McNeil, Mary Roy Moses, Betty June Monts, Nora Lee Purtille, Betty Robins, Rose Marie Coop, Betty Coleman, June Duke, Almeria Cox, Gwen Evans, and Marion Mouser.

The reader will be Mary Ross McCaddin, the announcer, Frances Bruner; stage directors, Thomas Loneycutt and Dinzel Graves; pianist, Miss Virginia O'Neal.

## Coming and Going

Mrs. Remmel Young of Biloxi, Miss., arrives today to spend the Christmas holidays with Dr. and Mrs. L. M. Lile.

Mrs. Garrett Story, Sr. and Miss Harriet Story have returned from a visit with relatives in Minden, La.

## Guernsey

1st Grade—Herbert Biddle, Lester Fincher, Argus McKamie, Billy Jo Baker, Francis Collier, Freddie Jo Barton, Bobbie Nell Tullis, and Ruth Hayes.

2nd Grade—James Herbert Bristow, Oscar Dudley, Jr., Ralph Mayo, Jimmy Guley, Bobby Rosenbaum, Dicky Rosenbaum, Joe Surles, Bobby Howard Thornton, Sammy Thompson, Jo Ann Bristow, Helen Powell, and Betty Thompson.

3rd Grade—Dickie Brosius, Thomas Smith, Dale Springs, Billie Thompson, Francis Ashley, Virgie Mae Edwards, Martha Jean Gentry, Sue Gilbert, Bobbie Dean Hopson, Mary Della Jones, Helen Ruth Seaton, Ann Stroud, Imogene Thornton, and Mary Elizabeth Tyler.

4th Grade—Lawrence Grosius, Leon Brosius, C. D. Conley, Rosa Mae Gilbert, Vernell Hoover.

5th Grade—Arlice Downs, Billy Jo Gentry, Neal Springs, Joyce Allen, and Marie Biddle.

6th Grade—Paul Downs, Gracie Thornton, Thelma Jane Evans.

7th Grade—Robert Ashley, Murren Anderson, Beatrice Woods.

## U. S. S. San Francisco in Action!



The Jap plane which sideswiped the U. S. S. San Francisco off Guadalcanal November 12, leaves a dense column of smoke, center, at the spot the plane crashed into the sea. The San Francisco, right, continues the fight. In left foreground is a U. S. cargo transport. Anti-aircraft bursts can be seen in sky. The Japs lost 32 of 33 attacking planes that day. (Official U. S. Navy Photo from NEA Telephoto).

## Hollywood

By ROBBIN COONS  
Wide World Features Writer

Hollywood — Walter Hulton is a fine actor and he'll give a good impersonation of ex - Ambassador Joseph E. Davies in "Mission to Moscow," but some of us will always regret that Mr. Davies himself couldn't tackle the part. Even in Hollywood, he'd be just the type.

Mr. Davies has, aside from a remarkable ability as a raconteur, the first requisite for an inspired performance: he is thoroughly in love with his role. The other morning, at an informal breakfast meeting, he held the small assemblage hanging on his words for about an hour and a half, after which he chuckled, caught himself up with, "You must forgive me—I find the subject so fascinating myself that I forget I may be boring you."

His tales, unfortunately, were off the record, but it is violating no confidence to report that he makes as successful an ambassador of good will from our Soviet allies as

## McCaskill

Mrs. Chester McCaskill and Mrs. J. S. Moses spent last Tuesday in Hope.

Mrs. John Gains, Mrs. G. Shuffield, Mrs. Bert Scott, Mrs. M. Scott, and little Judy Scott were shopping in Nashville last Tuesday. Dick Curtis and wife of El Dorado spent last week with his parents Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Curtis.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Buckley and son Ralph of McAlester, Okla., visited relatives here last week.

Miss Lillian Ball arrived last

Monday from Little Rock where she completed a business course at Draughans Business College.

Mrs. Herman Rhodes, Mrs. Josie Ball, Mrs. Dora Wortham and Miss Lillian Ball spent last Tuesday in Nashville.

Ruben Griffin of Morfreesboro was a visitor here Sunday.

Lt. Irene Pickett of Camp Polk, La., visited relatives here this week end.

Miss Lula Wardlow left last week for a visit with friends in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Watson and son visited relatives here last week end.

## Columbus

At a regular meeting of Columbus Manon Lodge Thursday night the following officers were elected: M. M. Collins, W. M. Gilbert Green, S. W. W. Cannon J. W., C. R. White, Sec'y, J. O. Johnson, Treas. R. C. Stuart, Tyler.

Columbus P. T. A. met Thursday at the school building for a regular meeting. In the absence of the President, Mrs. L. K. Boyce, Mrs. C. R. White served as chairman. During the business meeting reports were given by Miss Marie Stuart and Mrs. J. O. Johnson Jr. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. C. R. White; Vice-President, Mrs. R. C. Stuart; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. J. O. Johnson Jr., the following committees were appointed: Membership, Mrs. Allan Downs, Mrs. Frank Delaney, and Mrs. Eugene Goodlett, Program, Mrs. W. D. Weeks, Mrs. R. C. Reed and Dale Watson.

Social—Mrs. Fred Caldwell, Mrs. David Mitchell and Mrs. Alvin Hamilton. A round table discussion was led by W. D. Weeks—each member taking part. The subject was "Happiness".

The callers noted the artistic Christmas decorations in all rooms. Mr. Watson's room being outstanding.

Columbus Home Demonstration

Club will meet Tuesday with Mrs. Frank Delaney hostess. The club will have their annual Christmas Tree and program. Mrs. R. C. Stuart will read "The Other Wise Man", by Van Dyke. Miss Fletcher will conduct a cooking school, making cheese dishes using the cheese that was made at November meeting. A good attendance is expected.

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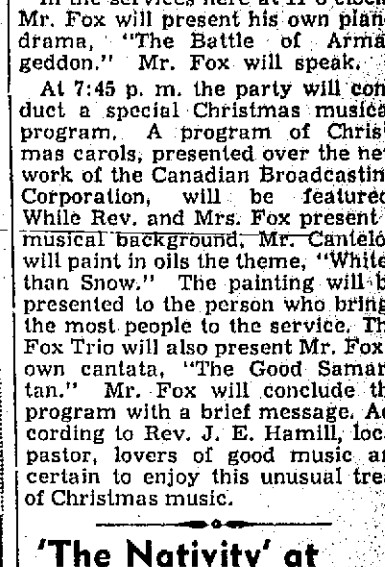
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## To Speak Here



REV. LORNE F. FOX

The Fox Evangelistic Party of Canada, internationally known musicians, speakers, and radio artists, will visit Hope for one day only, and will be guests of the Hope Gospel Tabernacle, North Main





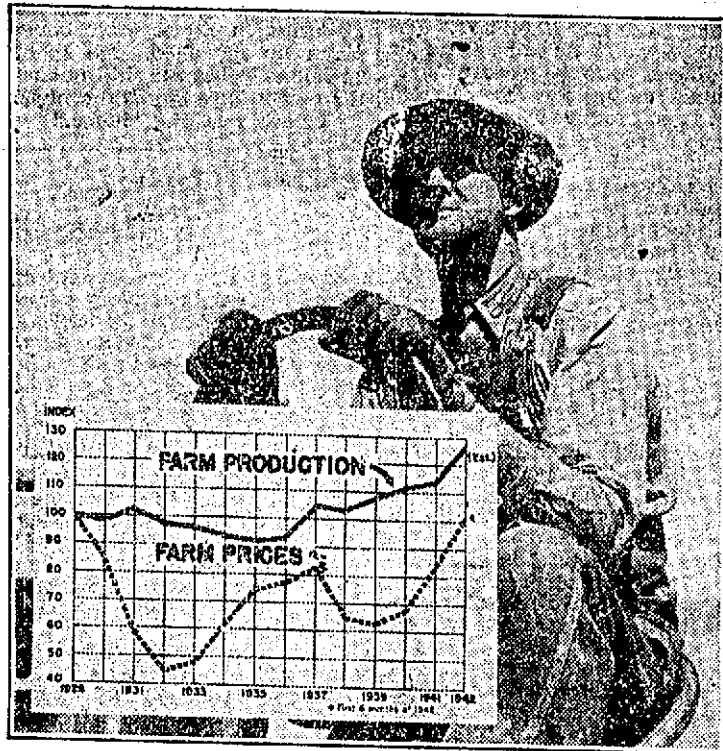


## 'Sorry, We Haven't Any'



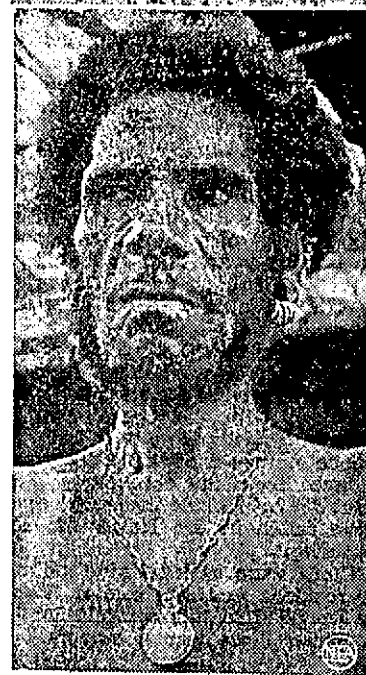
HEY, BUTCH! Sign of the times was placed in his shop in self-defense by west coast butcher after he virtually lost his voice from telling customers, "Sorry, we haven't any."

## He's A Production Patriot



In hard times and good, in peace and war, American farmers are real production patriots, declares the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Prices haven't always been good during the past 12 years, but farmers have kept the nation's pantries full. Today farm prices are 2 percent above those of 1929—but farmers are producing more than 25 percent more than in 1929, an all-time record harvest.

## Both Savage



HEAD MAN. No. 1 boy of a New Guinea village gets all fixed up to greet U. S. troops as they pass through on their way to fight the Japs. (Passed by censor.)

## When Modern and Medieval Meet



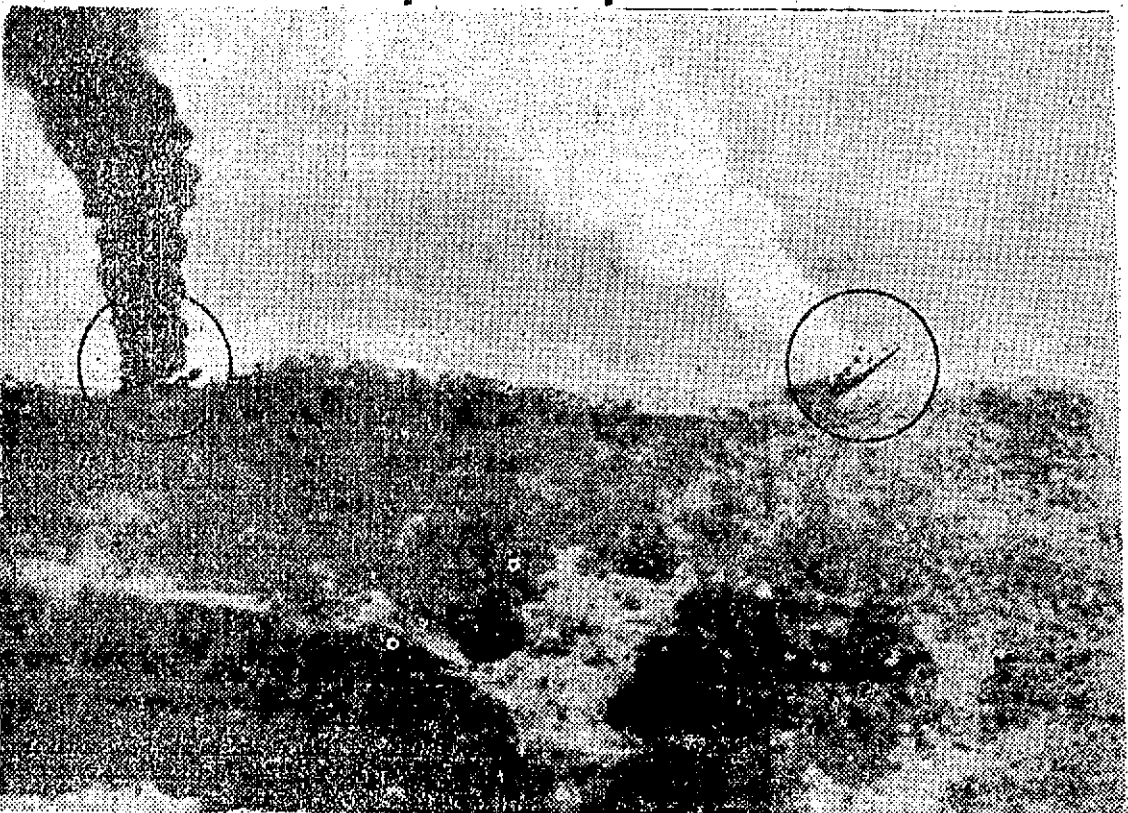
WHEN MODERN AND MEDIEVAL MEET. Donkey boy, jogging over the timeless Egyptian desert sands, where carts and camels long have been the accepted mode of transportation, pauses in wonder in the shadow of a giant British bomber.

## Way of A Gob and A Girl



THE WAY OF A GOB AND A GIRL. Parting may be sweet sorrow, but your sailor today wants no girl in every port and there is real heartbreak in his farewell to his sweetheart.

## End of Two Jap Transports



Jap transports, hit by U. S. ships and aircraft, shown beached and burning 7½ miles from U. S. positions on Guadalcanal, November 16. They were the only Jap ships of a powerful Jap fleet to reach the Island. (Official U. S. Navy Photo from NEA Telephoto.)

## Doughboys on Jungle Journey



JUNGLE JOURNEY. By plane, boat, jeep, and afoot, United Nations forces are moving against the Japs in New Guinea. Here doughboys ford a jungle stream. Native porters bring up the rear. (Passed by censor.)

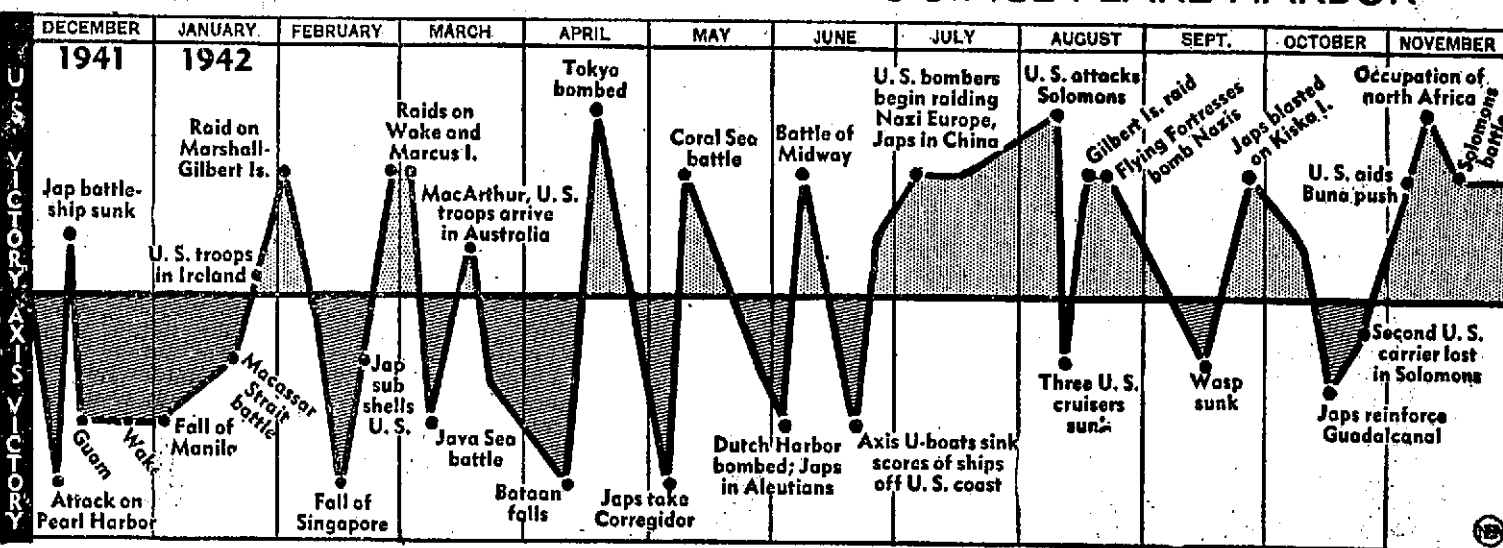


## Food Thought



FOOD FOR THOUGHT. Roy H. Hendricks, has plenty of it now that he has been named director of food distribution under Claude Wickard.

## AMERICAN VICTORIES AND DEFEATS SINCE PEARL HARBOR



America's first year at war was largely one of defeats, but since July the U. S. has been making more entries on the profit side of the ledger. Chronology chart shows major war events since Pearl Harbor.



## Making It Hot for Santa



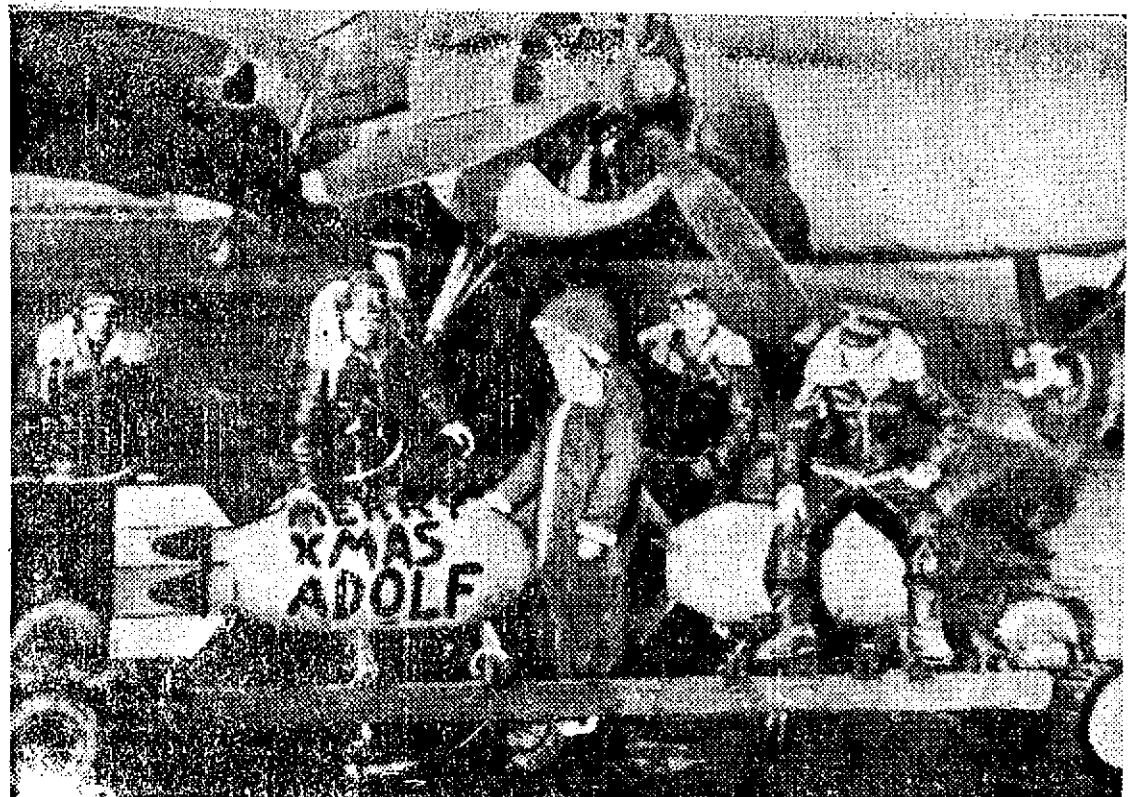
MAKING IT HOT FOR SANTA. It would be Washington where this department store Santa had to hot foot it to safety when a fire in an adjoining shoe store threatened to spread to the old saint's precinct.

## Wrong Train



Virginia Greer, above 21, of Sunnyside, L. I., N. Y., was released by the FBI and sent back home after being removed from a troop train in Philadelphia. She said she had been stranded on the train when it pulled out of a station while she was inspecting the kitchen equipment. She was not discovered by Army officers until the train neared Philadelphia. She said she was married and a mother of a young child. Her husband, she said, is a Pvt. Wm. Pondell, now stationed at Governor's Island in New York. The FBI released her after checking her story. (NEA Telephoto.)

## A Christmas Present for Hitler & Co.



The crew of the above Flying Fortress plan to deliver a little gift they have for Adolph well in time for Christmas. Lt. A. J. Davis of New York poses as Father Christmas, while other members of the crew stand by. They are: Capt. Wm. Anderson, Long Beach, Calif., pilot; Sgt. John Scott, Lansing, Tenn., radio operator; Sgt. John Collier, Beaverton, Ala., air gunner; and Sgt. Arthur Daugherty, Sharron, Pa., gunner. This photo was made at an air field somewhere in England.

## A Mechanized Honeymoon



HALF-TRACK HONEYMOON. Give a fellow a bride, a lot of pals in the Armored Force, a half-track for a taxi and a Hawaiian background—and look what happens. Lieut. and Mrs. Donald Brattain seem pretty happy about it all, however.



# Sinkwich Voted Star Athlete of the Year

BY AUSTIN BEALMEAR  
New York, Dec. 16 —(AP)—All-America Frankie Sinkwich, who ran and passed Georgia's football team to the Southeastern Conference championship and into the Rose Bowl, is the people's choice as the brightest star among all the male athletes of 1942.

Sinkwich collected 94 points in the annual Associated Press poll of 69 sports editors, finishing far ahead of his closest rival, the slugging star of Boston's American League Baseball club, Ted Williams.

Sixteen athletes drew first-place votes in the wide-open balloting. Sinkwich was named first by only 15 of the voters, but he received 19 second and third-place votes to account for his top-heavy point total, figured on the basis of three for first, two for second and one for third.

Williams, who can qualify for the title of "truer-up champion" for various honors, finished second in the voting for the second straight year. The lanky outfielder, now training with the Army Air Forces, polled a dozen first-place votes but received little support elsewhere and wound up with 55 points.

Last year's winner, Joe DiMaggio of the New York Yankees, was forgotten in the balloting this time. Sinkwich, a member of the Marine Corps Reserve, got 12 votes in the 1941 poll.

Don Hutson, the record-breaking, pass-catching end of the Green Bay professional football club, was voted with 42 points, while Johnny Beasley, the rookie hurler who pitched the St. Louis Cardinals to two victories in the World Series, came fourth with 38.

Hutson and Beasley received six first-place votes each. Gunder Haegg, the Swedish track star who cracked world records at distances from a mile to 5,000 meters, was voted first on ten ballots, but had a point total of only 37, good for fifth place.

The complete voting:

Athlete and Sport	First Points
Frank Sinkwich (Football)	15
Ted Williams (Baseball)	12
Don Hutson (Football)	6
Joe DiMaggio (Baseball)	6
Johnny Beasley (Baseball)	6
Gunder Haegg (Track)	10
Ray Robinson (Baseball)	1
Morton Cooper (Baseball)	6
Cornelius Warmerdam (Track)	6
Ben Hogan (Golf)	1
Joe Louis (Boxing)	3
Gracie Rice (Track)	2
Paul Gervani (Football)	1
Willie Pep (Boxing)	0
Bill Smith (Swimming)	0
George Kurowski (Baseball)	1
Gill Dodds (Track)	1
Walker Cooper (Baseball)	1
Joe Gordon (Baseball)	1

Two points — Ted Lyons, baseball; Robert Falkenberg, tennis; Mel Ott, baseball; Les Steers, track.

One point — Garrard Ramsey, football; Byron Nelson, golf; Angelo Bertelli, football; Ed Dudley, golf; Pau Sarringhaus, football; Don Budge, tennis; Glenn Dobbs, football.

# In Debt but Not Worried



MANHATTAN MADNESS. While some angry creditors in Manhattan, Kans., are seeking to force the auctioning of \$5000 worth of furniture in the home of Corp. Pasquale (Pat) Di Cicco and his bride, the former Gloria Vanderbilt, the Di Ciccos enjoy the gay New York whirl by attending the Stork Club.

# No Action on Plan to Divide Ball Leagues

Washington, Dec. 16 —(AP)—The once hot, then cold proposal to divide major league baseball into Eastern and Western divisions to save travel came to a lukewarm stage today with nobody apparently willing to forecast which way the temperature would go next.

Commenting on the suggestion advanced by some eastern newspapers a few weeks ago, Joseph B. Eastman, director of the Office of Defense Transportation, stirred up the fires a bit last night when he declared that "if the leagues want to adopt the plan it would fit in very nicely with what we are trying to do."

Most available league officials immediately doused the idea with cold water with the most frigid splash coming from Eddie Collins, general manager of the Boston Red Sox.

"The idea doesn't appeal to us at all," observed Collins at Boston. "If it must come to that stage, baseball should call it a day."

The proposed East league would include the American's New York, Philadelphia, Boston and Washington teams, and the National's New York, Brooklyn, Philadelphia and Boston teams.

# Sitting Pretty



SITTING PRETTY. It's the movies "C-String Murder" gal, Barbara Stanwyck looking as though she expected trouble.

# Arkansas Pays With Blood of Sons During First Year War

Editor's Note: This is the second of a series of three articles on Arkansas' first year in the war. It is a digest of the accumulated daily news reports through the year that directly affected that state.

By SMA G. HARRIS  
Little Rock, Dec. 16 —(AP)—Arkansas made a generous payment to the inevitable toll of war — human casualties — during the first year of the global war.

The blood of its sons was spilled all around the world — in the tropics and along the Arctic circle — because Arkansans traditionally have followed the flag with the armed services both in peace and war.

There were Arkansans in the uniform of the Chinese air force, and the Canadian Army before war struck. Representatives from Arkansas in all three of these services died in action during the year.

There were Arkansans at Pearl Harbor and with task forces at sea when the Japs pulled their sneak attack. There were khaki-clad Arkansans — members of two former Arkansas National Guard regiments — at chilly overseas outposts when war came again to the nation. Arkansans boys were with old line Marine and regular Army regiments and with naval detachments in the Philippines, and those who did not give their lives are probably in some Japanese prison camps today.

Most of the wounded have recovered to fight again. The dead — heroes all — were buried at sea, on foreign shores and a few at home. The missing, many of whom must be Axis prisoners, have done their bit.

The closest visible link between the home front and the fighting front is the casualty lists, Arkansas' casualty roll from the fighting, fronts beas out the tradition of this state's men-at-arms for eagerness to participate in dangerous action.

Based on casualty lists released by the Army, Navy, Merchant Marine and Allied governments under who banners Arkansans fought, at least 89 Arkansans fighting men died during the year. Too, at least one merchant sailor from Arkansas met death at the hands of the enemy.

Eighty of the 89 were Navy and Marine Corps men. Two died in the air forces of America's Allies. One fell with the Canadians at Dieppe. There were others perhaps whose names inadvertently were omitted from the chronology. The total did not include those who may have fallen in the North African campaign.

There were at least nine sailors or marines and one soldier listed as wounded in this compilation in which there was a margin for error.

# Ghost Walks



THE GHOST WALKS. The bedraggled but happy gentleman is Flying Officer W. B. Hay who walked into a British airdrome in Egypt after being given up for dead. He spent 11 hours in the sea, hid out on the desert for a day and a night before reaching "home."

# Rejected By Navy, Makes Ships Instead

Bayonne, N. J. (AP)—Once rejected by the United States Navy because of the slight physical imperfection, Gregory Ferend turned to building ships instead. Between August and December, 1942, Ferend built the yards of the Marine Maintenance Corp. in Bayonne and simultaneously built four coastwise tankers.

A native of Cefalonia in the Ionian Islands, Ferend came to the United States in 1916, at the age of 10, worked at odd jobs, and in 1931 during the depression began operating the Sord Steamship Line—with one vessel. In addition to his shipbuilding company, he still operated the Sord line (now with six ships) and acts as time charter agent and general agent for the War Shipping Administration.

and this particular quarry is easily worked, near a port, with plenty of labor to work it. But the quarry may have been bombed, or turned into a coastal gun pit, or anything. That is what Kenneth Webb wants to know. It is at Carrara, Italy, some four hours' journey from much bombed Genoa.

# SPORTS ROUNDUP

By HUGH FULLERTON, JR.  
Wide World Sports Columnist

New York, Dec. 16 —(AP)—Pro and con in the fight game. . . The con man, in this case, is Sgt. James Owen Madden of the Marines, who observes that there's a provincialism about New Yorkers and points to the stand of the State Athletic Commission . . . about Championships as an example. "Why," he asks, "don't these three iron dukes join the union of states in American style and give the guys from the so-called 'sticks' a chance at the title, whether or not they happen to be Uncle Mike Jacobs' boys. Harry Markon, Jacobs' tub thumper, produces figures to show that over 400 different fighters have appeared on Madison Square Garden cards since Uncle Mike moved there in 1937 and over 100 made their first appearances in 1942. . . Except that he's in business to make money, it's sometimes hard to find explanations for Jacobs' moves, and it's even harder to understand the commission. . . But somebody must have been doing a lot of spadework in the sticks to dig up an average of two newcomers a week.

Ride 'Em, Cowboy  
After his Flying Fortress raided the Jap Naval Base at Bougainville in the Solomons, Lieut. D. A. (Rodeo) Parker, former Hardin (Simmons and Brooklyn Dodger) footballer, kept talking about the 45-minute maneuver of his ship over a transport. . . Other members of the crew insisted it was only three minutes and even produced the flight log to prove it. . . But Parker wouldn't change his story. . . "I don't care what that thing shows," he argued. "Three minutes isn't any time at all, hardly, and we were over that transport a long, long time."

Today's Guest Star  
Wilbur Kinley, Jackson, (Miss.)  
Daily News: "The usual wholesale

# Women Street Car Conductors Nothing New

Kansas City, Dec. 17 —(AP)—Women street car men? Five Kansas City women chuckle heartily.

They've been on the job ever since the last World War — the survivors of a 1918 crew of 130 split-skirted conductorettes at whom passengers used to gape in surprise.

"The women kept getting married, or dying, and now we have just five left," explains D. L. Penell, transportation boss of the Kansas City Public Service Company. They make change nowadays, at busy transfer points, "But we plan to employ others, as operators."

That, thinks Mrs. Jeanette Miller, one of the five originals, will be fine. "I don't think women get confused as much as men do," she said. "And it seems to me the men operators get crabby and grouchy quicker than women. Women can answer more silly questions and not get mad about it."

They also give advice to the lovers. Mrs. Edna England, one of the first women hired. "You see your passengers going to grade school, then high school," she sighed. "Then all at once they'd be married and have children of their own. And you'd hear all their troubles, and sometimes hear about the divorce, too — yet all this time you never knew their names or where they lived."

When she started, "We were about 25 years ahead of the times. In those days a woman in uniform was really something. . . Mrs. Alice Hader, who after 8 years on the job, married the company's instructor, George Hader, spoke of styles, too.

"I'd rather see the men stay on the front of the cars — but women dressing like they do nowadays couldn't stay outside and make change; they'd have to get in to keep from freezing."

# Arkansan Escapes Death in Air Crash

Fairfield, Utah, Dec. 16 —(AP)—A doughty 23-year-old Leztherneck tightened his safety belt and rode out a western airlines transport crash that killed 17 and left a second survivor battling for his life today.

Lieut. A. F. Gardner of Alexander, N. Y., and the U. S. Marine Corps smiled through a scratched, bruised face from his hospital bed at Lehi as he said: "I'm nearly frozen to death, but I'm lucky to be here."

A. J. Mallett of Springfield, Ark., the only other person aboard, to escape death when the big ship toppled into a stretch of sagebrush desert about 55 miles south of Salt Lake City yesterday, was much more seriously hurt than the Marine.

Four women including Stewardess Cleo Booth of Los Angeles, two military officers, eight other men passengers and three crew members died in the crash, some of them lingeringly as Lieutenant Gardner told of "awful screaming and groaning" in the smashed cabin.

The pilot apparently was groping for the emergency landing field at Fairfield, four miles from the crash spot, as the ship was pointed northward. It had failed to report by radio after taking off for Los Angeles.

Two of the victims were W. O. Hart, 57, co-publisher of the Orange, Calif., Daily News since 1908, who had attended a loan company directors meeting in Salt Lake City, and Donald E. Cummings, 42, of Denver, head of the industrial hygiene department of the University of Colorado.

The women passengers were Mrs. Leona Rosell, Salt Lake City; Mrs. Carolyn Weersing, Glendale, Calif.; and Mrs. George Skystead, Las Vegas, Nev.

The others killed were Lieut. Thomas A. Baldwin of the U. S. Navy, Kellogg, Iowa; Second Lieut. Hugh E. McCrae of the U. S. Army Air Corps, believed to be from La Grange, Ill.; Pilot Edward J. Lefter, Glendale, Calif.; Co-Pilot J. Clifton Lee, Burbank, Calif.; Douglas Soule, St. Petersburg, Fla.; Co-Pilot-Trainee; Knight Bennett, Glendale; Fred Lewis, Los Angeles; Guy Talbot Jr., Great Falls, Mont.; Airlines Traffic Manager; J. R. Bratt, Salt Lake City; R. H. Hultman, Omaha, and Richard W. James, Salt Lake City.

Gardner suffered a fractured right leg and shoulder injuries but fearful that gasoline-fed flames might break out any moment, he dragged himself clear of the ship. However, it did not burn.

The Marine shivered through the bitter night of the Cedar valley desert before rescuers reached the lonely spot nearly 12 hours later. He related that his first intimation of trouble aboard "was when I felt the pilot pull the nose up, almost steep enough to send the ship into a stall."

"I grabbed my safety belt and pulled it tighter. Apparently the pilot was trying to clear a hill. Then the ship's nose came down and it seemed to shake from side to side. Next thing I knew it smashed. People were thrown toward the front of the cabin."

Fumes from the smashed gasoline tanks, Gardner said, "filled the cabin so thick you hardly could breathe. I was afraid the line would catch on fire, so I started dragging myself along trying to find the doorway."

"Finally I made it, then I pulled myself along the ground for a ways. I spent the night out there in the sagebrush and it was mighty cold."

# Lewis Lively Will Preach, Washington

Arkadelphia, Ark., Dec. 16. — Lewis Lively, of Washington, a junior at Henderson State Teachers College, announced his call to the ministry, at the close of a church service Sunday night at the Washington Baptist church.

Mr. Lively is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Lively of Washington. He is taking advance military training with the Henderson R. O. T. C. unit and will receive his commission as a second lieutenant upon his graduation from college, and following several weeks in an officer's training camp. He plans to attend a seminary after the war.

Mr. Lively will preach his first sermon on Sunday morning, December 27, at the Washington Baptist church, of which Rev. Erwin L. McDonald is pastor.

# Quachita Plans to Tackle Big Teams

Arkadelphia, Dec. 16 (AP)—Quachita college, which operated on a makeshift schedule this year after all other Arkansas colleges abandoned football for the duration, will have an ambitious 1943 schedule, Coach Bill Walton said today.

Walton said he was dickering with four major universities for games, commenting that some of them would appear in bowl games January 1.

Quachita will have a team as long as football is played anywhere. Walton declared. He asserted this was the sentiment of the administration, the trustees and alumni.

# Yerger Tigers to Tangle With All-Star Team

The 1942 Yerger Tigers, negro football team, will play a group of all-negro all-stars here at 3:30 Friday afternoon, December 18, for the "Watermelon Bowl" title.

The two teams have met twice previously with Yerger taking the first game 12 to 7 and the All-Star "Goats" winning the second 19 to 13. The all-star lineup includes many ex-Yerger of recent years. Improvement of the "Goats" assures local fans a hotly contested game. The public is invited. Advance tickets are on sale.

# Fights Last Night

By The Associated Press  
Pittsburgh—Fritz Zivic, 150 1-2, Pittsburgh, outpointed Carmen Notch, 148, Pittsburgh (10).  
Jersey City, N. J. — Phil Enzenga, 147, Baltimore, outpointed Mickey Ray, 143, Jersey City, (10).  
Portland, Me. — Lefty La Chance, 127 1-2, Lisbon, Me., knocked out Lloyd Hudson, Bath, Me. (5).  
New Bedford, Mass. — Tony Coscia, 130, Woonsocket, R. I., outpointed Johnny Coot, 135, Worcester, Mass. (10).  
Brooklyn — Joey Peralta, 132 1-4, Taanua, Pa., stopped Morris Parker, 21 83-4, Newark, N. J. (2).  
White Plains, N. Y. — Al Fine, 140 3-4, White Plains, outpointed Any Fowler, Brooklyn, (8).  
Los Angeles — Max Hutchings, 144, Los Angeles, stopped Amado Rodriguez, 159 1-2, Chihuahua, Mexico, in fifth of scheduled 10 rounds.

Like butterflies, fleas pass through distinct stages during their lives—egg, larva, pupa, and adult.

# THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



IF YOU GAVE A CLERK FOUR BITS FOR A THIRTY-CENT ARTICLE, WHAT SHOULD YOU GET FOR CHANGE?

# Sports Mirror

By The Associated Press  
Today A Year Ago — New York Yankees obtained First Baseman Buddy Hassett from Boston Braves; East-West football game, canceled at San Francisco, was shifted to New Orleans and set for Jan. 3.

Three Years Ago — Long Island University basketball team nosed out Oregon, 56-55, for its 40th consecutive victory.

Five Years Ago — College rowing coaches proposed shortening of varsity race at Poughkeepsie Regatta from four to three emiles.

# Shorts and Shells

Branch Rickey really was interested in buying the Phils until he saw the Brooklyn contract, which, we hear, calls for \$25,000 plus 15 per cent of the profits. . . During Larry MacPhail's free-handed regime, those profits averaged 100 G's a year. . . The Orange Bowl game may be the last for Denny Myers as Boston College coach. He's supposed to be heading for a Navy commission. . . Stan Lomax, the sportscaster, has been cited in the Treasury Dept. For selling a million bucks worth of war bonds in his spare time. . . The National Semi-Pro Baseball Congress has listed a national tournament in Australia next year and has appointed a commissioner to supervise it. Now how about getting the winner back to play here?

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